

**REMARKS**

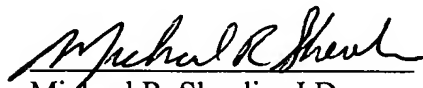
The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed October 17, 2006 states that the Response filed on August 31, 2006 contained text marking errors with respect to the claim set filed in September 2005. Applicants have corrected the marking errors. In view of the Response filed herein, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are properly listed and are in condition for examination on their merits. Claims 17, 19, 24-25, 29-32, 34, 39-43, 45-49 are pending and at issue.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and favorable action on all claims are respectfully requested. In the event any matters remain to be resolved, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

No fee is believed due in connection with this Response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1896 referencing the above-identified attorney docket number. A copy of the Transmittal Sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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